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JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 4, 1893. 228

Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Fifty-Fourth Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 29th Instant, at 12 o'clock, Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Account, declaring a Dividend, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 29th instant, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

HAVE NOW RECEIVED THE FIRST SHIPMENT OF THEIR MIXTURE OF THE CHOICEST NEW TEAS,

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which in the course of many years, has acquired a deservedly high reputation, as evidenced by the large demand for the same, the appreciation shown by friends at Home to whom it has been sent, and the numerous orders received for it from old Hongkong residents in the Colonies and elsewhere.

MISSES LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. undertake to deliver this acceptable present to Friends in the United Kingdom, Free of any Charge whatever on the Home side, at

Per ... 10-Catty Box \$12.00.

Per ... 5-Catty Box \$ 7.00.

ORDERS are solicited for this Choice Tea, which will be forwarded by First STEAMER, on receipt of instructions.

Hongkong, July 22, 1893. 1274

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TROPICAL TWEEDS, HOMESPUNS AND COATINGS.

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&c., &c., &c.

1255

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FOR STEAMSHIP. DATE. REMARKS.

SHANGHAI. ... About 29th July. Freight or Passage.

STRaits AND BOMBAY. ... Nizam. Neon, 1st August. { Freight only, calling at Colombo, if sufficient inducement offers.

LONDON, &c. ... Malaca. ... Neon, 3rd August. See Special Advertisement.

SHANGHAI. ... Bombay. ... About 3rd August. Freight or Passage.

JAPAN. ... Amakusa. ... Daylight, 5th August. Freight or Passage.

LONDON, &c. ... Manila. ... About 13th August. Freight or Passage.

MARSEILLES. ... Manila. ... About 13th August. Freight or Passage.

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P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, H. H. JOSEPH, Superintendent.

Hongkong, July 27, 1893. 1277

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AND SWISS BELT BUCKLES.

LEATHER BELTS, BELT RIBBONS, &c., &c.

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Hongkong, July 19, 1893.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned beg to notify to the

Public that their Firm HANG CHUN YUEN has, on the 31st May, 1893, registered in the Supreme Court, Hongkong, "THE TWO MESSENGERS ON HELLEBORES FOR 'WAI SHANG' MEDICATED WINE," and that any one found imitating the above Trade Mark or their Firm Name will be prosecuted.

CHIANG I KAN AND WONG YUT TING, Proprietors.

Hongkong, July 18, 1893. 1257

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

AFTER this date NO FULLY PAID-UP SHARES of this Company will be

TRANSMERGED on which the Call on the

NEW SHARES standing in the same

Name, remain unpaid.

By Order, R. LYALL, Secretary.

Hongkong, April 10, 1893. 671

NOTICE.

A Special SESSIONS of Her Majesty's JURISDICES of the PEACE will be

held in the Justices' Room, at the Magistrate's Office, at Eleven o'clock in the Forenoon of WEDNESDAY, the 2nd day of August, 1893, for the purpose of considering an application for one ALEXANDER OLDFIELD, for a Publican's Licence to sell and retail Intoxicating Liquor in the Premises known as the first or platform floor of A. S. WATSON & Co.'s building on Rural Building Lot No. 80, at Victoria Gap, under the sign of "THE BUFFET."

H. E. WODEHOUSE, Police Magistrate.

MAGISTRACY, Hongkong, 20th July, 1893. 1278

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R. ISHERWOOD, Manager, MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

Hongkong, July 10, 1893. 1136

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despatched for the above

Ports TO-MORROW, the 28th Instant, at

Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Hongkong, July 27, 1893. 1301

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Hongkong, July 26, 1893. 1303

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FOR LONDON, HAMBURG AND ANTWERP.

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Hongkong, July 26, 1893. 1303

Shipping.

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FOR

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[No. 9805.] JULY 27, 1893.

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INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT,
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For further Particulars, apply to

H. H. JOSEPH,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, July 24, 1893. 1269

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP
AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1893.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Mugil..... Tuesday August 8.
Victoria..... Tuesday August 29.
Tacoma..... Thursday Sept. 28.
Mugil..... Thursday Oct. 19.
Victoria..... Thursday Nov. 9.
Tacoma..... Tuesday Dec. 12.

THE Steamship MOGUL, Capt. Golding, will be sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 8th August, will proceed to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, via SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of The General Agent Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office with address marked in full by 5 p.m., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

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Hongkong, July 18, 1893. 1268

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CHINA MAIL OFFICE,
Hongkong, May 17, 1893. 905

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N. O. 2, HILLSIDE, PEAK, for 845.00
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Hongkong, July 14, 1893. 1287

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Hongkong, June 14, 1893. 1063

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Hongkong, March 1, 1893. 390

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A 7-ROOMED HOUSE at ROBINSON ROAD, "PARADE VILLA," with a large Garden, Water and Gas laid on.

ONE GODOWN, No. 117, Praya East, at Bowrington.

Apply to DORABJEE NOWROOZEE,
Victoria Hotel.

Hongkong, July 3, 1893. 1171

Intimations.



CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
Wine and Spirit Merchants,
13, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, August 18, 1891. 1612

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co.,
Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers,
Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths,
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NAUTICAL SCIENTIFIC AND METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.
VOYAGEUR CELEBRATED
BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES,
RUBET'S LIQUID AND OTHER COMPASS,
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CHRISTIE & CO.'S ELECTRO-PLATEDWARE,
GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY
in great variety.

D I A M O N D JEWELLERY,
A Splendid Collection of the Latest London
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Its export is increasing yearly, and the opinions expressed by several of the largest regular consumers are in testimony of the EXCELLENT QUALITIES of this COAL.

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Brassiness of the Coal.
Uniformity of quality.
Freedom from impurities.
Supply in any quantity on shortest notice.
Quick despatch.
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Sales Agents.
Hongkong, October 1, 1892. 1714

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THE Under-signed has always thought that such a place as this—First-class in every detail—was the one thing needed to fit in between HOTEL LIFE and the PRIVATE BOARDING-HOUSE. VISITORS may have their Choice of Grilled CHOPS or STEAKS at any hour of the Day or Evening, up to 11 o'clock, or later if notified. I am also prepared to Supply MEALS to PRIVATE PARTIES for Memo or Order, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour.

FUNG SUI, Hawaiian barque, Capt. D. Mahon.—Shewan & Co.

GALVESTON, German barque, Captain H. Jakobson.—Weier & Co.

Hongkong, July 27, 1893. 1312

Not Responsible for Debts.

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Report of the Commission and the Directors is now ready for inspection at the Office of the Undersecretary, between the hours of 11 and 12 daily.

A PRIVATE MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held on SATURDAY, 6th PROXIMO, at 11 a.m., to discuss the same.

By Order, R. LYALL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, July 27, 1893. 1308

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FOR SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, SAMARANG AND SOURAIBAYA.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

Last night the first of the rehearsals for the Naval concert took place. The Committee hopes to be able to send \$3000 to the Victoria Fund.

To-morrow afternoon, at four o'clock, long service and good conduct medals will be presented to several Inspectors of Police at the Central Police Station. The presentation will be made by Mr F. H. May, Captain Superintendent of Police.

A COMMENCEMENT was made yesterday at the Central Police Station with the issue of dog licences. Most of the applications have come from the European community, few Chinese having applied as yet. Applications should be sent in at once; all that is required is the name of the applicant, a brief description of the breed of dog, and the fee of 60 cents.

At the Magistracy this morning, Capt. Reynall, of the British barque *William le Lacheur*, was charged with leaving one of his crew, a native of Mauritius, on one of the Philippine Islands some time ago, in contravention of the Merchant Shipping laws. The man was shipped for six months, with Hongkong as the port of discharge. He was sent up to Hongkong by the Consul at the place where he was left. Mr Wodehouse imposed a fine of \$50.

The Archduke Ferdinand, who left this for Canton on Sunday, went on to Macao last evening, and returned to Hongkong this afternoon. His Imperial Highness, who was attended by the Commissioner of Customs (Mr Rocher), seems to have found the City of Rams more interesting than he expected, and he enjoyed the sights there without the troublesome accompaniment of pomp and display usual on such occasions. His short stay in Macao was a disappointment to the Acting Governor there, who had made arrangements to entertain the distinguished visitor.

A PORTABLE electric light for use in night search for wounded soldiers is being tried in Berlin. A 60-cardo-power lamp is operated by a storage battery weighing only 174 pounds.

The new process of electro-silvering, using a certain percentage of cadmium in the solution, gives a more durable, less easily tarnished and cheaper coating than pure silver.

Two ideas of nervous disorders of a hysterical kind have increased with civilization. It is denied by recent investigators, who find nowhere else such violent and epidemic nervous attacks as are common among uncivilized peoples.

The watch is a piece of scientific apparatus of marvelous perfection. In a recent address, Lord Kelvin stated that electricians are supposed to possess instruments of precision, yet they are thankful if their measurements amount to one-tenth or one-twentieth per cent. But a common cheap watch will keep time to a minute a week, which is a variation from true precision of only one-hundredth per cent.

Micro-organisms are found by Mr H. L. Russell to be invariably present in sea water, at a great distance from shore and to a depth of 3200 feet, though the numbers are not so great as in fresh water. The bacteria are more numerous in the slime of the seabottom than in the water itself, and the forms so universally present seem to be quite peculiar to the water and mud.

It is claimed that the most diminutive human being of modern times is Prince Topaze, born at Buenos Ayres of French parents. She is now 16 years old, but weighs only 15 lbs., and her height is but 20 inches—an inch or two less than that of Gen. Tom Thumb. Her wrist measures 2½ inches in circumference. Her father, strange to say, was a giant, and her mother a tall and robust woman.

That the Coming Man will be bald-headed we are all prepared to believe, writes the *Daily Graphic*. But Professor Henry Drummond is of opinion that man is gradually ceasing to be an athletic animal, and that strength of limb, flatness of eye, and dexterity of hand are becoming less necessary to us, and therefore must pass away. Indeed, as he says, instead of being all athletes, like our prohistoric ancestors we have already reached that stage of development when we actually pass before the court. The schemes resorted to by those who wished to evade the emigration laws were so ingenious that the act of the law is being made rather stringent.

Mr Francis—At this stage the affidavit cannot be received.

The Attorney General—I would have thought that an affidavit would have been necessary.

His Lordship—I think it is much more convenient, where there are any questions of fact and questions of law to be tried, to try them together.

The Attorney General—I felt that it was unnecessary for me to do more than the statute required. The statute only requires me to cite them to show cause. They might have said 'We are quite ignorant'; we do not know what you mean; therefore I filed this affidavit so that they might, at all events, what was brought against them.

His Lordship—I think it would be more convenient to have particulars of the complaint against this ship, stated in the affidavit, the particulars of a charge made in the form of an affidavit, because it might happen to them to say 'Yes, you produce an affidavit showing prima facie evidence, but there is a great number of offences for which the penalty might be enforced,' and unless the Crown were bound down to dismiss the charge it would be impossible for them to continue the case in respect of other matters not mentioned in the affidavit.

The Attorney General—*B* is the subsection dealing with equipping.

Mr Francis—We do not know that we are charged with any particular offence at all.

His Lordship—Supposing there was some mistake about it, consider this clause you might proceed with another subsection not named, because you are not bound by any affidavit. You have only an affidavit and no definition of the charge. It seems to me it would be a very simple matter for the Crown to give particulars of the breaches of the Ordinance on which they rely, and let them be annexed to the citation and form the charge which the Crown makes.

ed the Attorney General would make some opening statement. Will I read the citation?

His Lordship—You are here to show cause—you are appearing under protest—and it is for you to state your objections.

Mr Francis read the citation. The first place it would be for the Crown or yourself, else supporting this citation first to show it has been properly and regularly issued, and to read the clauses referred to that the proceedings had been regularly commenced under the Ordinance before any one could be called upon to show cause.

His Lordship—That would undoubtedly be the course if you did not appear.

Mr Francis—I appear under protest. I must not be taken as admitting either the jurisdiction of the Court or the regularity of the proceedings in the least degree. The Crown ought to show at least prima facie evidence of the breach of the provisions of the Ordinance. This citation professes to be issued under Section 83 of Ordinance 1 of 1889.—The Crown Solicitor shall, upon the seizure of any ship as aforesaid, give the owners or their agents in the Colony by written notice, to be in the form of Schedule One, to appear before the Supreme Court to show cause why the said ship should not be condemned and forfeited to the Crown for breach of the provisions of Sections 74 and 76, and in case there shall be no owner of the said ship in the Colony, nor any agent of such owner, the notice shall be published twice in the *Gazette*, and such publication shall be equivalent to personal service of the citation! Well, I will submit that before anything could be said to the Court upon the citation the Crown should show that some ship had been seized and the citation had been served (though my presence might dispense with proof of the citation), and some evidence should be given to show that something had been done against the provisions of Sections 74 and 76.

His Lordship—I quite agree with you. When this case comes to hearing the burden of proof will be on the Crown, because it is substantially a proceeding on their part.

Mr Francis—I submit that even now it is for them in the first instance to show that certain preliminaries exist in order that these proceedings should be regular at all.

The proceedings are under Part II of the Ordinance, and Section 76, which is included in this part, says, 'No proceeding shall be instituted for any offence against the provisions of this part of the Ordinance, or for any forfeiture thereunder, except at the suit or prosecution of or with the consent of the Attorney General.' There are provisions both for suit and for prosecution against individuals guilty of offences against the Ordinance. A warrant was issued for the arrest of the vessel on the 22nd of July, and I think I am in a position to prove that when that warrant was issued and the prosecution instituted the Attorney General had no knowledge whatever of what was being done and that the citation was issued without his consent. The Attorney General's consent to these proceedings was only obtained on the 25th July.

His Lordship—Your first objection is that no such warrant was obtained before the warrant was issued. You say the warrant is part of the proceedings.

Mr Francis—That is the inattention of the proceedings.

His Lordship—And your second point is?

Mr Francis—I can't say positively whether the Attorney General's consent was or was not obtained before the citation was issued, but I have a statement in writing by the Crown Solicitor that consent was given on the 25th instant and that it was to be filed in Court.

His Lordship—There are two sections I am about the consent of the Attorney General.

Mr Francis—I submit that section 73 is the one that refers to these proceedings.

His Lordship—I think it is fairly clear.

It is curious that there should be two clauses. One must be superfluous but the latter section seems to make it clear.

Mr Francis—if the Attorney General says his consent was obtained before the citation issued, there is an end of that matter.

His Lordship—if you like you can put him to the proof of it.

Mr Francis—in the second place, I submit that although the citation is in the form given in the ordinance the clause referring to it is simply perfunctory, and we ought not to be called upon to show cause on such an indefinite document as this in reference to an ordinance containing no such clause.

His Lordship—I am inclined to agree with you.

The Attorney General—Would you receive evidence on affidavit? It might be convenient to have evidence taken by affidavit.

His Lordship—You have the affidavit of Capt. Ramsey here. It might be received, and you might put him in the box for cross-examination. I don't think you should call him to give affidavit. It seems to me you will come to oral evidence ultimately.

Mr Francis—I would ask for an order that all evidence be taken alive.

His Lordship—I would not make such an order.

Mr Francis—Would you wish me to make it part of my answer?

His Lordship—I think any question of law might be stated in the answer after the answer the Attorney General might ask for the mode of trial, and if there is any question of law to be decided it might be decided before going into the facts.

The Attorney General—Would there be any reply to the answer?

His Lordship—I would not make any order for a reply at the present moment. It might be necessary and you could obtain leave for a reply.

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His Lordship—if you like you can put him to the proof of it.

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